

# NOTICE OF MEETING TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION COMMISSION

# Jude Abanulo, Chair

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Gerald Holtz
Alan Kaplan
Jeremy Martin
Mike Stein
Melvin Willis

# Rockville City Hall Black Eyed Susan Conference Room Tuesday, April 25, 2017 at 7:30 PM

#### **AGENDA**

7:30 – 7:35	1.	General Announcements, Introductions, and Public Comments
7:35 – 7:55	2.	Review of Accident Data at Chapman Ave/Bouic Ave: Commission Discussion
7:55 – 8:00	3.	Review and Approve February 28 Meeting Minutes
8:00 - 8:05	4.	Staff Report & Updates
8:05 - 8:10	5.	Additional Items/ Discussion

Next Meeting: Tuesday, May 23, 2017 at 7:30 PM

Report Number: MCP1227000L

# State of Maryland Motor Vehicle Crash Report

Reporting Agency:
MONTGOMERY
COUNTY POLICE
DEPARTMENT

Case Information: Municipality: Rockville County: Montgomery Report Type: **Fatal Crash** Crash Date: 12/6/2016 Local Codes: 5314 Local Case No.: Photos Taken Crash Time: 05:41 PM Investigating Officer Location: GPS Y-Coordinates: 39.061115518928 GPS X-Coordinates: -77.1210032701492 Route #: Main Road: CHAPMAN ÂVE Intersecting Route #: BOUIC AVE Intersecting Road: Distance Direction: S Distance: 0 F Mile Point Direction: S Mile Point: 0.16 Narrative: Accident Diagram: WAS ATTEMPTING TO CROSS CHAPMAN AVENUE AT THE INTERSECTION OF BOUIC AVENUE, IN THE CROSSWALK, AND WAS STRUCK BY VEHICLE 1. CONTRERAS WAS TRANSPORTED TO SUBURBAN HOSPITAL WITH LIFE THREATENING INJURIES. ON 12-08-2016, WAS PRONOUNCED DECEASED. THE INVESTIGATION TO BE BOUIG AVENUE CONTINUED BY CRU. CHAPMAN AVENUE PEDESTRIAN VEHICLE I Crash Type: Single Vehicle Collision Type: Harmful Event Two: N/A Harmful Event One: Pedestrian School Bus Involved: N/A Fixed Object Struck: N/A Const./Maint. Loc.: Const./Maint. Zone: No Const./Maint. Closure: Workers Present: Road/Area: Lane Type: Lane Dir.: N Lane No.: Rd. Grade: Level Rd. Alignment: Straight No. of Lanes: Traffic Control: N/A Two-Way, Not Divided Rd. Division:

Conditions:

Junction:

Intersection:

Road Condition: Weather: No Defects Raining

Four-Way Intersection

Intersection

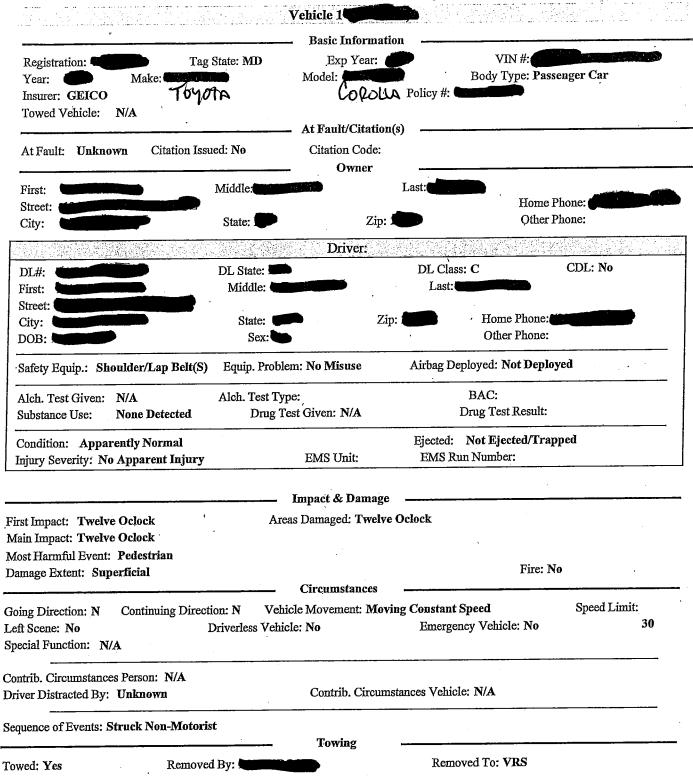
Contrib - Road: Wet Contrib - Environment: Rain, Snow

Inter. Area: N/A

Surface Condition: Wet

Light: Dark Lights On

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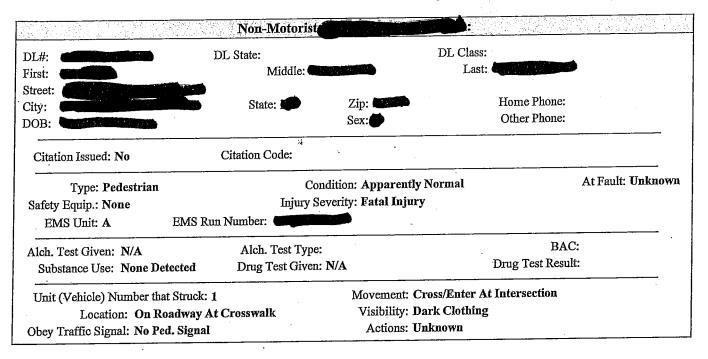


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#### Traffic and Transportation Commission Minutes Black Eyed Susan Conference Room Meeting No. 02-17 Tuesday, February 28, 2017 at 7:30 PM

Commissioners Present: Jude Abanulo, Garrett Clemons, Thomas Gibney, Cynthia Griffiths, Gerald Holtz,

Alan Kaplan, and Mike Stein

Guest: Bridget Newton, Robert DiSpirito

City Staff: Daniel Seo, Clark Larson,

# 1. General Announcements, Introduction of Guests and Public Comment Period

- a. Commissioner Martin called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
- b. All attendees introduced themselves.

#### 2. Southlawn Industrial Area Feasibility Study: Staff Presentation

a. Mr. Larson presented the feasibility study including study implementation items and its status.

#### 3. Review and Approve January 2017 Meeting Minutes

a. Commissioner Gibney made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Griffiths to approve the January 2017 meeting minutes. The motion passed 6-0-1. Commissioner Abanulo abstained due to absence at the January meeting.

#### 4. Staff Report and Updates

a. Staff provided the Weekly Report.

#### 5. Additional Items/ Discussion

a. Commissioner Clemons shared truck traffic issues on N. Horners Lane.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

# TRAFFIC AND TRANSPORTATION Week Ending 4/9/2017

#### Administrative:

• The Bikeway Master Plan was adopted by the Mayor and Council on 4/3/17. (EE/OK)

# **Traffic Engineering/Operations**: (DS)

- *Number of mechanical counts to date (FY 2017): 77*
- Completed 14 traffic signal service calls.
- Conducted annual preventive maintenance work at 5 traffic signals.
- Reviewed 121 Miss Utility calls and marked at 13 intersections.
- Conducted traffic mechanical counts at 4 locations.
- Conducted site visits to Broadwood Dr/Fletcher Pl, Auburn Ave/Tulane Pl, Wootton Pkwy/Greenplace Terrace, Piccard Dr/King Farm Blvd, and Baltimore Rd/Rockville HS regarding service requests.
- Worked on designing and fabricating a bridge name sign.
- Reviewed the submitted quotes and specifications for furnishing traffic signal LEDs.
- Issued one work orders regarding service requests.

# **Streetlights (AL):**

- Completed 22 streetlight service calls
- Checked 119 streetlights.
- Reported 15 streetlight power outages to Pepco.
- Forwarded 4 streetlight issue to the City's contractor.
- Staff has MOU and permits from SHA to mount lights on the SHA bridge abutments for the S. Stonestreet Avenue ramp underpass. Contractor has completed their installation. Staff is coordinating with Pepco to connect the lights.
- Staff is coordinating with the City's contractor to install some LED lights on traffic signal poles at several intersections. Contractor has submitted proposal and work will take place in FY17.

#### **Bus Stops** (OK):

- Coordinated with Montgomery County to relocate 3 existing shelters from Rockville Pike to be replaced with new branded structures for the new express service. Existing shelters reinstalled at:
  - 1. Southbound MD 355 at Edmonston Drive.
  - 2. Twinbrook Parkway at Fletcher
  - 3. College Parkway at Yale Place
- Oversaw snow removal from 118 high activity stops following the March 14<sup>th</sup> snow event.
- Cleaned up glass/debris from damaged shelter on Rockville Pike at Bouic.
- Coordinated monthly trash pick-up from 88 bus stop litter receptacles.

#### Bikeshare (OK):

• Twinbrook Bikeshare Expansion. The City received \$100,000 MDOT grant to install two new Capital Bikeshare stations in the vicinity of the Twinbrook Metro station. Grant agreement was reviewed by the City Attorney's office, signed by the City Manager and sent to MDOT for execution on 2/14/17. Grant Agreement for the \$100,000 award was executed by MDOT on 3/21/17.

# **Development Review: (GL)**

- 1) 2100 Wootton Parkway Wootton High School A PAM submission was received for the remodeling and expansion of the Wootton High School building. The total new-net peak hour trips estimated for the multi-phased project is 235 trips. Staff presented the study to the Traffic and Transportation Commission on 9/27/16. The Commission asked the applicant to study adding dedicated right turn lanes into the property.
- 2) 1450 Rockville Pike The application proposes raising the existing building and replacing it with a new 141,600 SF building. Staff provided comments on the site plan to the applicant during the 6/30/2016 DRC Meeting. The applicant presented their traffic study to the Traffic and Transportation Commission during their 10/25/16 meeting. The Commission recommended approval of the development with no conditions. *The application is tentatively scheduled to go before the Planning Commission on 5/10/17*.
- 3) 15825 Shady Grove Road, 2092-2098 Gaither Road, 2-4 Choke Cherry Road Shady Grove MXD Development A PJT application was received for this site which proposes replacing 435,506 SF of Office with 129,900 SF Retail, 110,000 SF of Office, 140 Room Hotel and 1249 Residential Dwelling Units. A revised Scoping Intake Form was submitted showing an increase of 944 AM, 2300 PM and 2145 SAT net new peak hour trips. The applicant will be required to study a minimum of 16 intersections. Project plan application is currently under review.
- 4) 1251 W Montgomery Avenue A site plan application was received which proposes to construct an approximately 115,875 SF self-storage facility, containing 900 to 1000 storage units, with associated surface parking. A Scoping Intake Form was received and approved showing less than 30 net new peak hour trips. *Staff has no further comments on the application*.
- 5) 1170 Rockville Pike Applicant is proposing a change of use from 22,243 SF funeral home to 14,985 SF general retail and 7,258 SF office. A Scoping Intake Form was submitted showing a net new 21 AM, 67 PM and 66 SAT peak hour trips. Therefore, the applicant will be required to complete a traffic study.
- 6) Redland Rd/I-270 Exit Ramp An application was received which seeks to construct a 93,385 SF self-storage facility (between 900-1000 units) off Redland Rd exit ramp from I-270. The property is currently unimproved. A scoping intake form was submitted and approved showing less than 30 peak hour trips. The site plan and on-site transportation report are currently under review by Staff.
- 7) 309 B Howard Ave An application was received which seeks a change of use from warehouse to athletic training. A scoping intake form was received and approved showing less than 30 net new peak hour trips. Staff had no comments on the site plan.
- 8) 40 W. Gude Drive A Scoping intake form was received which proposes a change of use from 49,259 SF Office to 29,555 SF Office, 9,852 SF Warehouse, 9,852 SF gallery/auction space. The scoping intake form was approved showing less than 30 net new peak hour trips. An on-site report will not be required as the scope is limited to interior renovations.
- 9) 5 Research Blvd A site plan application was received which seeks to renovate and reposition the existing building on the subject site. This will result in a net loss of 6,089 SF of research and development space. A scoping intake form was submitted and approved showing a net reduction in peak hour trips. Therefore, no study will be required.

#### CIP:

# Accessible Pedestrian Signals (APS) – (DS)

• The FY16 project consists of installing APS at 5 intersections. Construction started in the fall of 2016. Contractor completed all traffic signal items and is scheduled to complete the remaining concrete work by mid-April.

#### Baltimore Road (AL)

• This is a CIP project to improve the east side of Baltimore Road between MD 28 and City limits. Consultant has submitted 100% plans for Staff and SHA review. Staff and SHA are coordinating with property owners for property acquisitions. Staff is coordinating with SHA liaison to meet National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) requirements.

#### Pedestrian Safety

- TCSP Grant: The City received \$827,000 federal grant for pedestrian and bicycle improvements near the Rockville and Twinbrook Metrorail stations.
  - Rockville Station S. Stonestreet Ave. Road Diet: Currently under construction.
     (GL)
  - Twinbrook Pedestrian Safety: The bid opening was held on 1/10/2017. Concurrence in award package was sent to SHA for approval. (AL)

#### Maryland/ Dawson Extended

• This project includes the extension of Dawson Avenue from N. Washington St to MD 355 and the extension of Maryland Ave from Beall Ave to future extension of Dawson Ave. Staff provided comments on 30% design plans to consultant. Consultant working on 60% design.

#### Sidewalks

- St. Raphael's Bike Path: "Approval to Advertise" received from FHWA. City Procurement office working on the Invitation for Bid (IFB). (GL)
- Harrison Street –Concurrence in award was received. *Mayor and Council award scheduled for 4/17/17.* (AL)
- North/N. Van Buren Staff is soliciting input from the public and coordinating project with Forestry and Construction Management staff. (AL)
- Southlawn Lane *Concept design is underway.* (GL)
- Wootton Parkway *Topographic survey continues*. (AL)
- Monroe Street (Lynn Manor Dr to Argyle St) Staff met with owners of both impacted properties. Staff scheduled meeting with the Construction Management Chief to evaluate the implementation of the proposed sidewalk. (OK)

#### **Transportation Planning:**

#### Policy and Plans

- City Master Plan: (EE)
  - Staff attended four public meetings that were scheduled to facilitate and gather public input on the goals and objectives for the draft Comprehensive Master Plan.

CPDS staff presented the outcomes of the public meetings to the Planning Commission on 7/27/16 and continued the discussion of some transportation elements on 12/14/2016. Next discussion will be scheduled for May 2017.

- Local Circulator Bus Feasibility Study (OK)
  - Staff completed a draft scope of work for a feasibility study for a local circulator. Staff began work on the City's application for the FY2018 Technical Assistance grant from the National Capital Region Transportation Planning Board to fund the Circulator Study.
- Bikeway Master Plan (EE/OK)
  - The Planning Commission approved and recommended adoption of the Plan on 9/28/2016. Staff presented the revised plan to RBAC on 10/5/2016, and presented the plan to the Mayor and Council on 11/21/2016. Public Hearing was held on December 12, 2016, and a discussion of the plan was held at the Mayor and Council Session on 1/23/2017 and 3/13/2017. Revised the draft plan to incorporate Mayor and Council comments. *Ordinance was introduced on 3/27 and the plan was adopted on 4/3/2017*.
- Montgomery County Rapid Transit Vehicles (RTV) Study Group (EE)
  - The purpose of the project is to provide a new high-speed, high-efficiency bus transit service along 6.7 miles of Veirs Mill Rd (MD 586). Staff continues to coordinate with SHA and Montgomery County.
  - Alternatives 1, 2, 3, and 5B were presented to the Mayor and Council on October 10, 2016, and M&C recommended alternative 3 during the 11/21/2016 session. A joint meeting with Gaithersburg and Montgomery County was held on March 9, 2017.

#### Regional/National Coordination (EE)

- Corridor Cities Transitway (CCT) Staff received and reviewed the 30% design. Staff submitted comments on the 30% to MTA on 1/15/2016. Staff learned that \$5M will be added to this project and will probably be used to continue funding the design phase of this project.
- Attended workshop on MDOT Bike & Ped Project Funding Opportunities (OK)

# **Traffic and Transportation Commission Action Items:**

- Police report on the recent pedestrian accident at Chapman Ave/Bouic Ave
  - Staff contacted Montgomery County Police on March 1, 2017, but no police crash report is available yet.
- Construction of curb bump-out at Monroe Place/Monroe Street
  - City's Construction Management Division will start construction early summer.
- Additional lighting at MD 355/Park Road (MD SHA)
  - According to the MD SHA, construction will begin spring of 2017, with anticipated completion in the summer of 2018.

# **Abbreviations Key**:

- BRT Bus Rapid Transit
- CPDS Community Planning and Development Services
- CTR Comprehensive Transportation Review
- DRC Development Review Committee
- FHWA Federal Highway Administration
- FY Fiscal Year
- IFB Invitation for Bids
- MDE– Maryland Department of the Environment
- MOU Memorandum of Understanding
- PAM Pre-application Meeting
- RBAC Rockville Bicycle Advisory Committee
- SF Square Feet
- SHA State Highway Administration
- TCSP Transportation, Community, and System Preservation Program (administered by Federal Highway Administration
- Staff Initials
  - EE Emad Elshafei
  - OK Oleg Kotov
  - AL Andrew Luetkemeier
  - GL Greg Lyons
  - DS Daniel Seo

Acronyms that are spelled out in the document are not included in this list.